MR. D. C. JOSEPH (*Agastisvaram*): Will the member be pleased to state whether the Government expect or want the public to make complaints to the authorities concerned?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): That is also possible; the public can also put in petitions or make representation about it.

Enquiry re causes for the out-break of cholera.

267. MR. D. C. JOSEPH (*Agastisvaram*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether any enquiry has been held at any time about the causes of cholera in the different parts of Travancore; and if so, the result of such enquiries?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes; the results will be published by the Government in due course.

Statement of Sirkar Vakils and Judges.

268. MR. K. PADMANABHA PANIKKAR (*Ambalapuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the number of the Sirkar Vakils and of the Judges in Alleppey, Quilon Kottayam, Trivandrum and Nagercoil?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): The member is referred to pages 73, 74, 75, 88 and 89 of the *Quarterly Civil List*, corrected up to the 1st Kumbham 1105, which contain the information required.

Consultation with the Sirkar Vakils re notices of suits.

269. MR. K. PADMANABHA PANIKKAR (*Ambalapuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they consult the Sirkar Vakils in respect of notices of suits served on Government and try to compromise whenever possible?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Yes, whenever necessary.

Lepers and persons suffering from other contagious diseases travelling in service buses, etc.

270. MR. V. J. OOMMEN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have taken any precautionary steps to prevent the people who suffer from leprosy and other contagious diseases from travelling in service cars, buses and steam launches?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): The answer is in the negative.

Haripad-Veeyapuram Road.

271. MR. V. J. OOMMEN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): (1) With reference to the Haripad-Veeyapuram road (deviation from the front side of the Haripad Public Offices to the Veeyapuram Depot), will the Government be pleased to state:

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(*a*) whether it is a ryots' road or a Government road;

(*b*) its length;

(*c*) whether it is gravelled;

(*d*) whether they have received any representation for gravelling the road; and

(*e*) whether they have received any estimate from the Public Works Department for gravelling the road?

(2) Are they aware that people who come from the south to the Veeyapuram timber depot are put to very great inconvenience owing to the absence of a gravelled road?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*):

(1) (*a*) It is a Government road.

(*b*) About 4 miles.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) No.

(2) A gravelled road would afford greater convenience.

Chemmarapally-Puthupally road.

272. MR. V. J. OOMMEN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): (1) With reference to the Chemmarapally-Puthupally road (deviation from the 2nd mile-stone, Kottayam-Karukachal road to Puthupally Angadi), will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) its length;

(*b*) the probable expenditure to be incurred by Government according to the estimate prepared by the Department;

(*c*) the amount sanctioned in the Budget for 1105 for the road;

(*d*) the amount spent so far (28-7-1105) from the Budget amount;

(*e*) the length of the portion of the road completed so far (28-7-1105);

(*f*) whether Mr. Arunachalam Aiyar while he was the acting Chief Engineer has recorded an opinion that the above road is not necessary; and

(*g*) whether the Chief Engineer has written to the Division Officer, Kottayam, that the amount sanctioned for the road in the Budget for 1105 may be diverted for more urgent work and that this work might lie over?

(2) If the answer to part (1) (*g*) is in the negative, will they be pleased to lay on the table a copy of letter No. 2151, dated 15-10-1929, from the Chief Engineer, addressed to the Division Officer, Kottayam?

(3) Will they be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Chief Engineer is authorised to divert any amount sanctioned for one work for another work; and

(*b*) whether this particular amount was diverted with the sanction of Government?

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